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## Chair's Message

*Sarah Babb*

Dear Global and Transnational Sociology section members,

I'm writing to encourage you to send in nominations (including self-nominations) for the G&TS awards, described below. The deadline for all submissions is March 1, 2012!

**Best Scholarly Book Award:** The Global and Transnational Sociology Section solicits nominations for the 2012 Best Scholarly Book Award, recognizing an outstanding book published between 2010 and 2012 in the area of Global and Transnational Sociology. Self-nominations are encouraged. In nominating a book for



the award, please include a brief (no more than one page) comment on its contributions to the field. The deadline for nominations is March 1, 2012. Only section members may submit nominations. For information on where to send copies of the nominated book, please e-mail subcommittee chair Alex Hicks: ahicks@emory.edu.

**Best Scholarly Article Award:** The Global

and Transnational Sociology Section solicits nominations for the 2012 Best Scholarly Article Award, recognizing an outstanding article published between 2010 and 2012 in the area of Global and Transnational Sociology. Self-nominations are encouraged. In nominating an article for the award, please include a brief (no more than one page) comment on its contributions to the field. The deadline for nominations is March 1, 2012. Only section members may submit nominations. Please email materials (including the article) to subcommittee chair April Linton: aplinton@ucsd.edu.

**Best Scholarly Publication by a Graduate Student Award:** The Global and Transnational Sociology Section solicits nominations for the 2012 Best Scholarly Publication Award by a Graduate Student, recognizing an outstanding article or book published between 2010 and 2012 in the area of



## EDITORS' NOTE

*A little delayed but the winter edition is here. The snow shown on the first page may appear misleading because we haven't seen much snow this winter. In the meantime, we are warming up to the next section election. We have included a full slate of G&TS section candidates whose bio's and statements, if available, are published here. The next ASA meetings are also not far behind. Looking at our sessions, Denver is gearing up to be as exciting as Vegas.*

*Starting with the next issue, we are planning to include one or two op-ed pieces by our members on any current topic that touches on concerns of global sociology. It can be a provocative, thoughtful, critical or humorous piece. We invite anyone and everyone to think about sending us a 500-600-word jargon-free essay that you would have sent to an established newspaper. Let the public sociologist in you express herself. We may also publish readers' reactions and comments in the subsequent issue.*

*Have a wonderful spring break next month!*

### **A. Anesh**

Associate Professor of Sociology  
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

### **Shehzad Nadeem**

Assistant Professor of Sociology  
Lehman College, CUNY

Global and Transnational Sociology. The first author must have been a graduate student when the publication was written. Self-nominations are encouraged. In nominating a publication for the award, please include a brief (no more than one page) comment on its contributions to the field. The deadline for nominations is March 1, 2012. Only section members may submit nominations. Please email or mail materials (including the publication) to subcommittee chair Jennifer Bair: Jennifer.Bair@colorado.edu.

### **Best Scholarly Publication by an International Scholar Award**

The Global and Transnational Sociology Section solicits nominations for the 2012 Best Scholarly Publication Award by an International Scholar, recognizing an outstanding article or book published between 2010 and 2012 in the area of Global and Transnational Sociology. The author must be an international scholar who is neither a citizen nor a permanent resident of the USA. Self-nominations are encouraged. In nominating a publication for the award, please include a brief (no more than one page) comment on its contributions to the field. The deadline for nominations is March 1, 2012. If the nomination is an article, please e-mail materials (including the article) to subcommittee chair Samuel Clark: sclark4@uwo.ca. If the nomination is a book, please contact the subcommittee chair for information on where to send copies.

### G&TS Sessions in Denver



In Denver, Global and Transnational Sociology will have four panels—two themed and two open, which will be:

**Gender, Globalization, and Transnationalism.** Session Organizer: Leslie Salzinger, University of California-Berkeley

**Global Governance (co-sponsored with Section on Sociology of Law).** Session Organizer: Evan Schofer, University of California-Irvine

**Open Topic on Global and Transnational Sociology (2 sessions).** The section invited submissions for two paper sessions. We invited research that defines or explores global and transnational processes and their consequences. This includes work that empirically, conceptually, or theoretically examines (a) global or transnational groups, movements, networks, or governance, or (b) global or transnational processes, mechanisms, and variables that are important in the study of global, national, regional, local, comparative, or historical issues and places. Session Organizers: Julia Adams, Yale University and Sarah Babb, Boston College

Additionally there are two regular sessions:

**Transnational Processes.** Session Organizer: Zsuzsa Gille, University of Illinois

**Globalization.** Session Organizer: Stephanie Limoncelli, Loyola Marymount University

We will also be hosting the usual one-hour roundtables. One of these roundtables will be themed:

**Teaching Global and Transnational Sociology to Undergraduates** (one-hour roundtable). Except at the most elite institutions, American students tend to enter college with limited knowledge not only of any language other than English, but also of geography and world history. Instructors of Global and Transnational Sociology may find themselves struggling to make the course seem relevant to the lived experiences of their students. To look into alternative solutions to this problem, the Program Committee will be organizing a special roundtable on "Teaching Global and Transnational Sociology to Undergraduates." We are looking for 4 participants who feel that they have found effective ways of teaching in this area. The syllabi and accompanying commentary of roundtable participants will be posted on the G&TS website to serve as a resource for section members.



# Section Elections

## Candidates for Section Chair

(Vote for 1)

### Valentine M. Moghadam

Director of the International Affairs Program  
Professor of Sociology,  
Northeastern University (Ph.D.  
The American University,  
Washington, D.C., 1986).



#### Publications

- Globalization and Social Movements: Islamism, Feminism, and the Global Justice Movement. Rowman & Littlefield, 2009. (Second edition to appear in late 2012)
- Globalizing Women: Transnational Feminist Networks. The Johns Hopkins University Press, 2005. (Second Printing 2005. Winner of APSA Victoria Schuck Award for best book on women and politics, 2006; honorable mention, ASA/PEWS best book award 2006)
- Modernizing Women: Gender and Social Change in the Middle East. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner Publishers, 1993. (A Choice Outstanding Academic Book for 1993-1994.) Also published by The American University of Cairo Press (1994). Third printing, 1996. Updated second edition 2003. Third edition to appear in 2013.
- Women, Work and Economic Reform in the Middle East and North Africa. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner Publishers, 1998.

### Jon Shefner

Department Head,  
Sociology,  
University of Tennessee (PhD,  
University of California-Davis,  
1997)



#### Publications

- Shefner, Jon and Patricia Fernandez-Kelly, editors. 2011. Globalization and Beyond: New Examinations of Global Power and its Alternatives. Penn State University Press.
- Shefner, Jon and Julie Stewart. 2011. "Neoliberalism, Grievances and Democratization: An Exploration of the Role of Material Hardships in Shaping Mexico's Democratic Transition". Journal of World Systems Research, Volume XVII, Number 2.
- Ansley, Fran and Jon Shefner, editors. 2009. Global Connections and Local Receptions: New Latino Immigration to the Southeastern US. University of Tennessee Press.
- Jon Shefner. 2008. The Illusion of Civil Society: Democratization and Community Mobilization in Low Income Mexico. Penn State University Press.
- Jon Shefner. 2007. "Rethinking Civil Society in the Age of NAFTA: The Case of Mexico". The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science. March, Volume 610.

#### Statement

Past presidents of this young section have already done important work by creating the section and forming an intellectual presence through conference panels and awards. I believe I can help this section to research current globalization trajectories and advocate alternatives. The continued re-imposition of neoliberal reforms despite their high costs suggests the increasing necessity of scholars like those in this section to continue strong academic research that demonstrates the savagery of recent paths while advocating new ones. My experience building an undergraduate interdisciplinary program from its beginning to the largest of its kind in my university has taught me how to teach people about both current globalization and push them to think about alternatives. My experience in organizing three international conferences demonstrates my multi-disciplinary commitment to listening to and fostering a variety of voices. I look forward to helping this section continue building a strong research and policy voice.

### Ann Swidler

#### Professional Position

Professor of Sociology  
at the University of  
California, Berkeley  
(PhD, University of  
California, Berkeley,  
1975)



#### Publications

- Swidler, Ann. 2010. "Return of the Sacred: What African Chiefs Teach Us about Secularization." Sociology of Religion 71(2).
- Swidler, Ann and Susan Cotts Watkins, 2009. "'Teach a Man to Fish': The Sustainability Doctrine and its Social Consequences." World Development 37(7):1182-1196.
- Swidler, Ann. Talk of Love: How Culture Matters (University of Chicago Press, 2001).
- Swidler, Ann. 1986 "Culture in Action: Symbols and Strategies," American Sociological Review 51 (April): 273-286.
- Bellah, Robert N., Richard Madsen, William Sullivan, Ann Swidler, and Steven M. Tipton, Habits of the Heart: Individualism and Commitment in American Life (University of California Press, 1985).

#### Offices, Committee Memberships, and Editorial Appointments Held in ASA

- W.E.B. Du Bois Career of Distinguished Scholarship Award Selection Committee, 2009-2011 (Chair, 2009-10.);
- Best Book in the Sociology of Culture Award Committee, ASA Culture Section, 2001; ASA Council, 1997-2000; Deputy Editor, American Sociological Review, 1996-99;
- Chair-Elect, ASA Culture Section, 1994-95, Chair, 1995-96;
- Chair, Working Group on Meaning and Measurement, ASA Culture Section, 1993-5;
- ASA Culture Section: Nominations Committee; Program Committee; Organizer of session on "Meaning and Measurement," 1992-3;
- Program Committee, ASA Annual Meeting, 1986; Program Committee, ASA Annual Meeting, 1985; Associate Editor, American Sociological Review, 1982-1985;
- Committee on Nominations, American Sociological Association, 1983-1984

**Statement**

I am excited about the future of the Global and Transnational Sociology Section.

Transformations at the global level challenge us to develop new conceptual tools for analyzing transnational flows of populations, transfers of institutional patterns across boundaries, new patterns of global governance, and emergent global institutional and cultural patterns. The analytic challenges are even greater if we attend to the intricate contradictions between the realities of local practices and the allure of global imaginaries. I hope we can expand the intellectual resources and methodological strategies with which to address a dynamic, exciting field.



## Candidates for Secretary / Treasurer

(Vote for 1)

**Colin J. Beck****Present Professional Position**

Assistant Professor of Sociology at Pomona College (PhD, Stanford University, 2009).

**Publications**

- Beck, Colin J., Gili S. Drori, and John W. Meyer. Forthcoming. "World Influences on Human Rights Language in Constitutions: A Cross-National Study." *International Sociology*.
- Beck, Colin J. 2011. "The World-Cultural Origins of Revolutionary Waves: Five Centuries of European Contention." *Social Science History* 35:167-207.
- Beck, Colin J. 2009. "State Building as a Source of Islamic Political Organization." *Sociological Forum* 24:337-356.
- Beck, Colin J. 2008. "The Contribution of Social Movement Theory to Understanding Terrorism." *Sociology Compass* 2:1565-1581.
- Beck, Colin J. 2007. "On the Radical Cusp: Ecoterrorism in the United States, 1998-2005." *Mobilization* 12:161-176.

**Statement**

I am proud to be a founding member of the Global and Transnational Sociology section, and to have previously served on its award committee from 2009-2011. Our section has grown rapidly and shows great vitality. As a scholar with macro and global interests, I see the section as filling an important gap in sociology that will become only more relevant

in the years to come. As Secretary/Treasurer, I would work for our further expansion and to grow the profile of the section within the ASA.

**Wesley Longhofer****Present Professional Position**

• Assistant Professor of Organization and Management, Goizueta Business School at Emory University (PhD, University of Minnesota 2011).

**Offices, Committee Memberships, and Editorial Appointments Held in ASA**

• W.E.B. Du Bois Career of Distinguished Scholarship Award Selection Committee, 2009-2011 (Chair, 2009-10.);

**Publications**

- Longhofer, Wesley and Daniel Winchester, eds. 2012. *Social Theory Re-Wired*. New York: Routledge.
- Schofer, Evan and Wesley Longhofer. 2011. "The Structural Sources of Association." *American Journal of Sociology* 117(2): 539-585.
- Longhofer, Wesley and Evan Schofer. 2010. "National and Global Origins of Environmental Association." *American Sociological Review* 71(4): 505-533.
- Longhofer, Wesley, Shannon Golden, and Arturo Baiocchi. 2010. "A Fresh Look at Sociology's Bestsellers." *Contexts* 9(2): 18-25.
- Goldman, Michael and Wesley Longhofer. 2009. "Making World Cities." *Contexts* 8(1): 32-36.

**Offices, Committee Memberships, and Editorial Appointments Held in ASA**

Graduate Editor, *Contexts*, 2009-2010

**Statement**

As a young scholar in the growing tradition of global and transnational sociology, I look forward to the opportunity to help build our section and ensure it continues to grow into a vibrant and engaged intellectual community.



## Council Members

**Cheris Shun-ching Chan**

(PhD, Northwestern University, 2004), is Associate Professor of Sociology at the University of Hong Kong.

**Publications**

- 2012. *Marketing Death: Culture and the Making of a Life Insurance Market in China*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- 2012. "Culture, State, and Varieties of Capitalism: A Comparative Study of Life Insurance Markets in Hong Kong and Taiwan." *British Journal of Sociology* 63(1).
- 2011. "Divorcing Localization from the Divergent Paradigm: Localization of Chinese Life Insurance Practice and Its Implications." *International Sociology* 26(3): 346-63.
- 2009. "Invigorating the Content in Social Embeddedness: An Ethnography of Life Insurance Transactions in China." *American Journal of Sociology* 115(3):712-54.
- 2009. "Creating a Market in the Presence of Cultural Resistance: The Case of Life Insurance in China." *Theory and Society* 38(3):271-305.

**Offices, Committee Memberships, and Editorial Appointments Held in ASA**

Prize Selection Committee, Granovetter Prize for Best Article in Economic Sociology, ASA's Economic Sociology Section, 2011-12

**Personal Statement**

I believe that my strong commitment to research on globalization and transnational activities and my own transnational experience as a scholar outside the Euro-American context make up my intellectual capital to contribute to the council of GTS.

**Jeffrey Kentor**

(PhD Johns Hopkins University 1998, is Professor of Sociology at the University of Utah.

**Publications**

- Kentor, Jeffrey and Andrew Jorgenson. 2011. "Foreign Investment and Development: An Organizational Perspective." *International Sociology*: 25:41
- Sanderson, Matthew and Jeffrey Kentor. 2010. "Globalization, Development, and International Migration: A Cross-National Analysis of Less-Developed Countries, 1970-2000." *Social Forces* 88:1.
- Kentor, Jeffrey and Terry Boswell. 2003. "Foreign Capital Dependence and Development: A New Direction." *American Sociological Review*: 68: 2: 301-313
- Kentor, Jeffrey. 2001. "The Long Term Effects of Globalization on Population Growth, Inequality, and Economic Development." *Social Problems*: 48, 4: 435-456.
- Kentor, Jeffrey. 1998. "The Long Term Effects of Foreign Capital Penetration on Economic Growth 1940-1990." *American Journal of Sociology*: 103:4: 1024-1046.

### Offices, Committee Memberships, and Editorial Appointments Held in ASA

Chair, Political Economy of the World Economy Section, 2009-10  
Editorial Board, Rose Monograph Series, 2010-present

### Pamela Paxton

(PhD, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1998) is Professor of Sociology and Government and Christine and Stanley E. Adams, Jr. Centennial Professor in the Liberal Arts, at the University of Texas at Austin.

### Publications

- Paxton, Pamela, John R. Hipp and Sandy Marquart-Pyatt. 2011. *Nonrecursve Models: Endogeneity, Reciprocal Relationships, and Feedback Loops*. Sage Publications, Quantitative Applications in the Social Sciences Series.
- Hughes, Melanie, Lindsey Peterson, Jill Ann Harrison, and Pamela Paxton. 2009. "Power and Relation in the World Polity: The INGO Country Network Score, 1978-1998." *Social Forces* 87:1711-42.
- Paxton, Pamela and Melanie Hughes. 2007. *Women, Politics, and Power: A Global Perspective*. SAGE Publications/Pine Forge Press
- Paxton, Pamela. 2007. "Association Memberships and Generalized Trust: A Multilevel Model Across 31 Countries." *Social Forces* 86:47-76.
- Paxton, Pamela, Melanie Hughes and Jennifer Green. 2006. "The International Women's Movement and Women's Political Representation, 1893-2003." *American Sociological Review* 71:898-920.

### Offices, Committee Memberships, and Editorial Appointments Held in ASA

Member, ASA Political Sociology Section Council (2006-2009); Member, ASA Methodology Section Council (2006-2009); Deputy Editor, *American Sociological Review* (2007-2009)

### Kiyoteru Tsutsui

Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 2007-present (PhD, Stanford University, 2002).

### Publications

- Alwyn Lim and Kiyoteru Tsutsui. 2012. "Globalization and Commitment in Corporate Social Responsibility: Cross-National Analyses of Institutional and Political-Economy Effects." *American Sociological Review* 77: 69-98.
- Kiyoteru Tsutsui. 2009. "The Trajectory of Perpetrators' Trauma: Mnemonic Politics

around the Asia-Pacific War in Japan." *Social Forces* 87: 1389-1422.

- Kiyoteru Tsutsui and Hwa-Ji Shin. 2008. "Global Norms, Local Activism and Social Movement Outcomes: Global Human Rights and Resident Koreans in Japan." *Social Problems* 55: 391-418. The 2010 Best Scholarly Article Award from the American Sociological Association section on Global and Transnational Sociology.
- Kiyoteru Tsutsui. 2006. "Redressing Past Human Rights Violations: Global Dimensions of Contemporary Social Movements." *Social Forces* 85: 331-354.
- Emilie Hafner-Burton and Kiyoteru Tsutsui. 2005. "Human Rights in a Globalizing World: The Paradox of Empty Promises." *American Journal of Sociology* 110:1373-1411.

### Personal Statement

I would be honored to serve as a Council member of the Global and Transnational Sociology Section. This Section feels to me like my first real intellectual home in ASA, and I have benefited tremendously, both professionally and personally, from my membership in it. I have been involved in the Section since its founding meetings and have participated actively in the business meetings, receptions, and Section sessions at ASA. I was particularly honored to receive the first Best Scholarly Article Award of the Section in 2010. I'm at a career stage where I feel like I could give back to the Section that has brought me so much intellectual inspiration and professional encouragement, and would be delighted to work for further development of the Section.



## Announcements

### Transnational industrial relations and the search for alternatives

A workshop at Greenwich University  
May 31-June 1, 2012

Organizing committee: Ian Greer, Lefteris Kretsos, Pat McGurk, Graham Symon, Maria Papanikou, Charles Umney, Wim Vanderkerckhove, Ulke Veersma.

The institutional and political dynamics that affect the workplace increasingly extend across national boundaries. These dynamics include actions by elites, such as the investment or sourcing decisions of

multinational firms, directives of the European Commission, or bailout packages of the International Monetary Fund. But they also include actions by workers, their representatives, and their allies, such as the Occupy movement, the US and UK Uncut, the Indignados movement, and the daily work of European Works Councils and Global Union Federations.

Workers, unions, and social movements have been playing catch-up as elites have reconstituted themselves and their institutions at a transnational scale. There are now several examples of workers and unions operating at a new scale in response to the internationalization of markets and politics. But there are also many examples of civil society failing to respond to some challenge from the transnational sphere. The politics of austerity in the Euro zone is just one example.

Why do workers, unions, and other progressive campaigners so rarely operate at the transnational level? What lessons can be learned from leading cases of success or failure? Are contemporary patterns of resistance from below more striking than organised labour initiatives from above? Are there new actors (the informal sector, migrants, young workers, the precariat) playing an important role in resistance? Are these movements showing signs of internationalizing themselves? How has the sovereign debt crisis challenged international forms and agents of worker representation? Have experiences of organizing in countries still experiencing rapid economic growth (China and India in particular) transformed unions' strategies and structures of international solidarity?

This workshop is an attempt to assess the state of knowledge about transnational industrial relations and to assess what it means for progressive social movements. We invite academic papers and contributions from trade unionists and other actors in civil society on the following:

**Industrial relations in multinationals:** Works Councils (European and Global), International Framework Agreements, Corporate Social Responsibility

**Organizing an international workforce:** worker hyper-mobility and trafficking, corporate campaigning, organizing across supply chains, cultural diversity in unions

**Supranational political action:** promoting alternatives to neoliberalism within in or against European Union institutions or the global governance framework (e.g. ILO, IMF, World Bank)

**Transnational actors:** activist networks, Global Union Federations, cross-border union mergers, Non-Governmental Organizations

Please submit a 300-word abstract by 1 March 2012 to Lefteris Kretsos (l.kretsos@greenwich.ac.uk).

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### **Berlin Summer School in Social Sciences**

#### **Linking Theory and Empirical Research**

Berlin, July 15-27, 2012

The Berlin Summer School in Social Sciences – Linking Theory and Empirical Research aims at promoting young researchers by strengthening their methodological understanding in linking theory and empirical research.

In a first step, we tackle the key methodological challenges of concept-building, causation and micro-macro-linkage that occur in all research efforts and aim at a clarification of the epistemological implications underlying methodological paradigms. In a second step, we apply these methodological considerations by looking at how central empirical fields of research in political science and sociology have dealt with these challenges and – by referring to selected empirical studies – what solutions have been found to overcome them.

Furthermore, participants are provided with hands-on research advice and have the opportunity to present their own work and approaches to these issues.

The Berlin Summer School is a joint endeavor of two of Germany's leading social science institutions, the Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences (BGSS) at Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin and the Social Science Research Center Berlin (WZB).

The two-week summer school both attracts internationally renowned scholars and draws on Berlin-based faculty. Among the confirmed international lecturers are Delia Baldassarri (Princeton University), Peter Bearman (Columbia University), Mark Bevir (UC Berkeley), Craig Calhoun (NYU/LSE), Donatella Della Porta (EUI), Ronald Inglehart (University of Michigan), and Klaus von Beyme (Universität Heidelberg).

The international summer school is open to thirty PhD candidates. Due to generous funding by the BGSS and the WZB, there will be no tuition fee. We have applied for additional funding and thus might be able to cover travel and accommodation costs for all participants. A decision is expected soon. Five ECTS Credit Points can be granted upon successful completion. The call for applications has opened. Applications can be submitted online via the application form until March 31, 2012. For additional information, please visit our webpage at [www.berlinsummerschool.de](http://www.berlinsummerschool.de) or contact directly Andreas Schäfer at [summerschool.bgss@hu-berlin.de](mailto:summerschool.bgss@hu-berlin.de)

### **The Caucus on Transnational Approaches to Gender and Sexuality**

#### **Facebook**

The Caucus on Transnational Approaches to Gender and Sexuality has launched a facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/socglobe/>). Its administrators, Daniela Jauk ([da18@zips.uakron.edu](mailto:da18@zips.uakron.edu)) and Mary Robertson ([robemary@gmail.com](mailto:robemary@gmail.com)), can be reached for queries about the website. Vrushali Patil ([vrushali.patil@gmail.com](mailto:vrushali.patil@gmail.com)) and Salvador Vidal-Ortiz ([vidalort@american.edu](mailto:vidalort@american.edu)), its current Co-Chairs, can be reached for questions about the Caucus.

### **Fifth Global Studies Conference**

**Lomonosov Moscow State University, Moscow, Russia**

June 20-22, 2012

<http://onglobalisation.com/conference-2012/>

We are pleased to host the Global Studies Conference this year at Lomonosov Moscow State University in Moscow, Russia. As the center of one of the emerging BRICS economies, Moscow is an ideally relevant location for this year's conference, with the special theme - Eurasia and Globalization: Complexity and Global Studies.

The Global Studies Conference is devoted to mapping and interpreting new trends and patterns in globalization, and serves as an open forum for exploring globalization from many perspectives. Scholars, researchers, and graduate students from all backgrounds, all over the world are joining this cross-disciplinary conference, and we hope that you will join the conversation.

Speakers may include, among other researchers and experts:

- \* Ulrich Beck, University of Munich
- \* Leonid E. Grinin, Volgograd Center for Social Research
- \* Ilya Ilin, Lomonosov Moscow State University
- \* Roland Robertson, University of Pittsburgh and the University of Aberdeen
- \* John Urry, Lancaster University

Presenters may choose to submit written papers for publication in the fully refereed Global Studies Journal. If you are unable to attend the conference in person, virtual registrations are also available.

Visit our website for more information about the conference, our submission process and this year's themes, to sign up for our monthly e-newsletter, and to become an active member of our community. It is available at: <http://onglobalisation.com/conference-2012/>

The deadline for the next round in the call-for-papers (a title and short abstract) is 20 March 2012. Future deadlines will be announced on the conference website after this date. Proposals are reviewed within two weeks of submission.

We look forward to receiving your proposal and hope you will be able to join us in Moscow in 2012.

Yours Sincerely,

Jan Nederveen Pieterse

University of California, Santa Barbara, USA

## Hot off the Press

### Books by section members

*Zakia Salime, [Between Feminism and Islam : Human Rights and Sharia Law in Morocco](#) (University of Minnesota Press 2011)*

There are two major women's movements in Morocco: the Islamists who hold shari'a as the platform for building a culture of women's rights, and the feminists who use the United Nations' framework to amend shari'a law. *Between Feminism and Islam* shows how the interactions of these movements over the past two decades have transformed the debates, the organization, and the strategies of each other.

In *Between Feminism and Islam*, Zakia Salime looks at three key movement moments: the 1992 feminist One Million Signature Campaign, the 2000 Islamist mass rally opposing the reform of family law, and the 2003 Casablanca attacks by a group of Islamist radicals. At the core of these moments are disputes over legitimacy, national identity, gender representations, and political negotiations for shaping state gender policies. Located at the intersection of feminism and Islam, these conflicts have led to the Islamization of feminists on the one hand and the feminization of Islamists on the other.

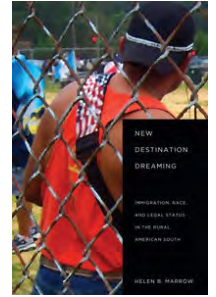
Documenting the synergistic relationship between these movements, Salime reveals how the boundaries of feminism and Islamism have been radically reconfigured. She offers a new conceptual framework for studying social movements, one



that allows us to understand how Islamic feminism is influencing global debates on human rights.

*Marrow, Helen B. 2011. [New Destination Dreaming: Immigration, Race, and Legal Status in the Rural American South](#). Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press.*

New York, Chicago, and Los Angeles have long been shaped by immigration. These gateway cities have traditionally been assumed to be the major flashpoints in American debates over immigration policy—but the reality on the ground is proving different. Since the 1980s, new immigrants have increasingly settled in rural and suburban areas, particularly within the South. Couple this demographic change with an increase in unauthorized immigrants, and the rural South, once perhaps the most culturally and racially "settled" part of the country, now offers a window into the changing dynamics of immigration and, more generally, the changing face of America.

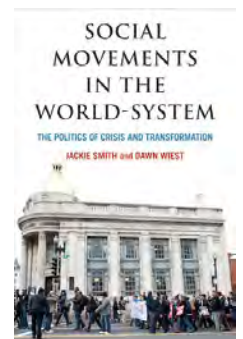


*New Destination Dreaming* explores how the rural context impacts the immigrant experience, how rapid Hispanic immigration influences southern race relations, and how institutions like schools and law enforcement agencies deal with unauthorized residents. Though the South is assumed to be an economically depressed region, low-wage food processing jobs are offering Hispanic newcomers the opportunity to carve out a living and join the rural working class, though this is not without its problems. Inattention from politicians to this growing population and rising black-brown tensions are both factors in contemporary rural southern life.

Ultimately, Marrow presents a cautiously optimistic view of Hispanic newcomers' opportunities for upward mobility in the rural South, while underscoring the threat of anti-immigrant sentiment and restrictive policymaking that has gripped the region in recent years. Lack of citizenship and legal status still threatens many Hispanic newcomers' opportunities. This book uncovers what more we can do to ensure that America's newest residents become productive and integrated members of rural southern society rather than a newly excluded underclass.

*Jackie Smith and Dawn Wiest, [Social Movements in the World-System: The Politics of Crisis and Transformation](#), Russell Sage Foundation (A Volume in the American Sociological Association's Rose Series in Sociology, 2012)*

The Occupy Wall Street protests, Arab Spring, and ongoing political resistance in Europe builds upon a long history of transnational activism as it extends and



develops new tactics for pro-democracy movements acting simultaneously around the world. In *Social Movements in the World-System*, Jackie Smith and Dawn Wiest build upon theories of social movements, global institutions, and the political economy of the world-system to uncover how institutions define the opportunities and constraints on social movements, which in turn introduce ideas and models of action that help transform social activism as well as the system itself. <https://www.russellsage.org/publications/social-movements-world-system>

Jackie Smith, Scott Byrd, Ellen Reese, Elizabeth Smythe, Editors *Handbook on World Social Forum Activism* (Paradigm Publishers, 2012).

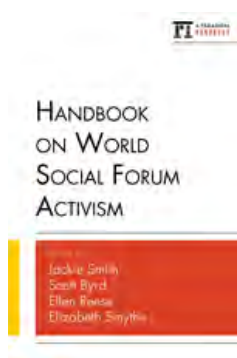
The World Social Forums began in 2001 as a civil society countersummit to the World Economic Forum, an annual gathering of global corporate and political elite that shapes global economic policies. Since then the World Social Forums have become the premier focal point for a diverse array of movements and associations advancing alternative visions of globalization. This Handbook brings together some of the leading scholars of the WSF process from North

America and Europe to offer comparative and longitudinal analyses of the WSFs. It documents and contributes to the ongoing process of reflection and learning from World Social Forum experiences and is accessible to activists, students, and scholars alike.

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Does living in a globally networked society mean that we are moving toward a single, homogenous world culture? Or, are we headed for clashes between center and periphery, imperial and subaltern, Western and non-Western, First and Third World? The interdisciplinary essays in *Beyond Globalization* present us with another possibility—that new media will lead to new kinds of "worldmaking."

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transgenic art, this collection highlights how mediated practices have become integral to global culture; how social practices have emerged out of computer-related industries; how contemporary apocalyptic narratives reflect the anxieties of a U.S. culture facing global challenges; and how design, play, and technology help us understand the histories and ideals behind the digital architectures that mediate our everyday actions.

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